

Appl. No. 10/689,382  
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Reply to Examiner-Initiated Interview of 20 February 2008

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claim 1 has been amended to clearly tie the truncating step to the previous dividing step and to state the result of the truncating step. Support for the amendment can be found in box 64 of FIG. 4 and paragraph [0049].

Claim 6 has been amended to define "X".

Claim 12 has been amended such that it recites the same limitations that are found in claim 1.

Submitted with this amendment are three terminal disclaimers.

It is believed that this amendment and the terminal disclaimers address all of the issues raised by the examiner in the examiner-initiated interview and place the instant application in condition for allowance. Entry of this amendment and allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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